Sale tax on electronic goods

1741. SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

SHRI KRISHNA KUAMAR BIRLA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some State Governments levy different rates of sales tax on electronic goods as between those manufactured in their own territory and those from other parts of the country;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the Supreme Court has declared that such different sales tax is violative of Articles 301 and 303 of the Constitution; and

(c) if so, what measures were taken by the Union Government to ensure that uniform rates are charged by the State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The levy of tax on sales or purchases taking place inside a State is a State subject of taxation under the Constitution. Hence, it is for the State Governments to implement the decision of the Supreme Court. Earlier, it had come to the notice of the Central Government that some of the State Governments were levying sales tax on elocromic goods manufactured within the State at rates lower than that levied on such goods manufactured outside the State. The State Governments were advised that the levy of discriminatory rates of sales tax would amount to restricting the free flow of trade and commence and would be against Articles 301 and 304 of the Constitution.

कपड़ा नीति की पुनरीक्षा

1742. **श्री अजीत जोगी** : क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या विभिन्न ट्रेड यूनियनो और उद्योगपतियों ने सरकार से कपड़ा नीति पर पुनर्विचार व पुनरीक्षा करने का हाल ही में अनुरोध किया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार कपड़ा नीति की पुनरीक्षा करने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ग) क्या नई कपड़ा नीति के लागू किये जाने के बाद कपड़ा मिलों की हालत और खराब हुई है ?

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्री राम निवास मिर्धा) : (क) सरकार को वस्त्र उद्योग द्वारा सामना की जा रही कठिनाइयों तथा जून, 1985 की वस्त्र नीति की समीक्षा के संबंध में अभ्यावेदन प्राप्त होते रहे है ।

(ख) वस्त्र नीति के कार्यान्वयन की प्रगति की समीक्षा करने के लिए एक समिति स्थापित की गई है ।

(ग) जबकि कुल कपड़ा उत्पादन में संगठित मिल क्षेत्र का अंश कम हो गया है फिर भी नई नीति के बाद कुल कपड़े और यार्न के उत्पादन मे वृद्धि हुई है ।

Relevant provisions for preventing unauthorised parking by N.D.M.C.

1743. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the relevant laws and rules under which NDMC removes vehicles for allegedly unauthorised parking;

(b) whether the NDMC has prepared any coordination plan with the Delhi Traffic Police for removing vehicles from the roads; if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the NDMC puts up proper 'No Parking' boards at various sites of unauthorised parking to warn the vehicle owners, and if so, how many such boards have actually been put up; and

(d) whether the NDMC staff entrusted with taking action against parking offenders has been given proper training/orientation in this regard and if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) NDMC removes vehicles from road berms pavements, bylanes under section 173(2) of the Punjab Municipal Act, 1911 as extended to the Union Territory of Delhi.

(b) Action taken by the NDMC is independent of the action taken by the Traffic Police. However, coordination with Traffic Police is made as and when necessary.

(c) 'No Parking' signs have been put up at 35 vulnerable points.

(d) Yes, Sir. Municipal Inspectors duly conversant with the job are entrusted with this work.

Penalty Realised by NDMC for wrong parking of Vehicles

1744. SHRI BHAGAIRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that New Delhi Municipal Committee (NDMC) realises Rs. 150 from motorists for removing vehicles from the allegedly unauthorised parking lots;

(b) if so, whether the vehicle-owners are issued receipts for the penalty amount at the time of its collection;

(c) whether the vehicle owners are unrequired to collect the receipts the following day; and

(d) if so, whether Government have received complaints that some vehicle owners are made to part with Rs. 150/- as penalty but the same is not accounted for in official records; if so, what action is proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) In the past, receipts were issued upto 2.00 P.M. when the Municipal Treasury remained open and thereafter the removal charges were realised by making an enty in a register kept for the purpose. Receipts for such collection were issued the next day. However, now special arrangements have been made for issue of receipts on the same day.

(d) No such complaint has been received by the NDMC.

Effect of attack on migrant labour in Punjab

1745. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the economy of Punjab will be adversely affected in the long run due to terrorist attack on migrant labourers working at the Satluj Yamuna Link Canal;

(b) whether all the migrant labourers who were working in Punjab on different tasks have started moving back to their home State;

(c) whether the Central Government with the assistance of Punjab Government have made any efforts to remove the fear from the minds of migrant labourers; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND